IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA RICHMOND DIVISION

In Re:

CIRCUIT CITY STORES, INC., et al.

CASE NO. 08-35653 (KRH)

Debtors

Jointly Administered

CHAPTER 11

RESPONSE OF BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND, TO DEBTOR'S EIGHTEENTH OMNIBUS OBJECTION TO CLAIMS FILED BY TAXING AUTHORITIES SEEKING REDUCTION OF BALTIMORE COUNTY'S CLAIM

Baltimore County, Maryland, a creditor of the debtor, hereby files this Response to the Eighteenth Omnibus Objection of the Debtor Pursuant to Section 502 of the Bankruptcy Code, and Rule 3007 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure (Substantive Objection to Certain Claims Filed by Taxing Authorities), and in support thereof states as follows:

- 1. On February 12, 2010, Baltimore County filed an Amended Request for Allowance of Administrative Claim in the above-captioned case, asserting an administrative claim pursuant to 11 U.S.C. §503(b)(1)(A) in the amount of Fifty Five Thousand Three Hundred Twenty Dollars and Nine Cents (\$55,320.09) (see Exhibit "1"), with respect to debtor's personal property taxes and false alarm fees owed to the State of Maryland and Baltimore County. The claim was for personal property taxes for years 2008 and 2009.
- 2. In its objection, the debtor lists Baltimore County on Exhibit C, and argues that according to its books and records, Baltimore County's claim must be reduced to the amount of Thirty Two Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty Seven Dollars and Three Cents (\$32,757.03) 5,549.03, rather than \$55,320.09 as claimed.

- 3. Debtor does not specifically address Baltimore County's claim, but generally states that the claim should be "reduced to reflect amount of tax based on fair market value of debtors property subject to tax" (see Eighteenth Omnibus Objection).
- 4. As this Court is aware, the Bankruptcy Rules provide that a properly filed claim is "prima facie" evidence of the validity and amount of a claim. Fed. R. Bank. P. 3001(f).
- 5. Additionally, Debtor is liable for the full amount of its year 2008 and 2009 personal property tax bills, because they are set forth on a standard form personal property tax bill generated by Debtors' filing of their state personal property tax return (see Exhibit "1").
- 6. The Debtor provides no explanation or authority to support their objection as to Baltimore County and have failed to sustain their burden under Rule 3001(f). See, e.g., Gran v. IRS, 964 F.2d 822, 827 (8th Cir. 1992) (objector must come forward with evidence rebutting claim or claim will be allowed).

WHEREFORE, Baltimore County respectfully requests that Debtors' Objection (with respect to Baltimore County) be DENIED and that its claim be approved in the amount of Fifty Five Thousand Three Hundred Twenty Dollars and Nine Cents (\$55,320.09). A proposed Order is attached.

Respectfully Submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this 6th day of April, 2011, a copy of the foregoing Response of Baltimore County, Maryland, to Debtor's Eighteenth Omnibus Objection to Claims Filed by Taxing Authorities Seeking Reduction of Baltimore County's Claims was sent via Federal Express overnight delivery to:

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KEVIN KAMENETZ County Executive

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April 6, 2011

VIA FEDERAL EXPRESS

Clerk, United States Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of Virginia - Richmond Division 701 East Broad Street – Room 4000 Richmond, Virginia 23219

Re: Circuit City Stores, Inc., et al

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Dear Sir or Madam:

Enclosed for filing in the above-captioned case please find Response of Baltimore County, Maryland, to Debtor's Eighteenth Omnibus Objection to Claims Filed by Taxing Authorities Seeking Reduction of Baltimore County's Claim.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,

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